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## PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) : Examiner: Justin P. Misleh  
ISAMU UENO ET AL. ) : Group Art Unit: 2612  
Application No.: 09/236,350 )  
Filed: January 25, 1999 )  
For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS ) : January 3, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows, prior to further consideration of the claims pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith.